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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

In my present location in rural Santa Rosa, broadband access has not been available for my use except when bundling with large cable providers. Sonic has provided me with access without bundling. My service also includes line telephone with options like free long distance and calling ID which was not provided by a larger company (AT&T). This competition in our country is important and essential for the average consumer to be able to access services that are not provided by others.

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